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XA-7889B Re  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kenji NISHI

Appln. No.: 09/779,686

Group Art Unit: 2851

Filed: February 9, 2001

For: PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS

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OFFER TO SURRENDER, CONSENT OF  
ASSIGNEE AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Nikon Corporation, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan and having a place of business at Tokyo, Japan, is owner, by assignment, of the entire title to United States Letters Patent No. 5,477,304 granted on December 19, 1995, for PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS.

Nikon Corporation hereby offers to surrender said Letters Patent and consents to the filing of this reissue application and to the reissue of said Letters Patent.

Nikon Corporation hereby appoints Nelson H. Shapiro, Registration No. 17,095, and Mitchell W. Shapiro, Registration No. 31,568, of the firm of Miles & Stockbridge P.C., its attorney(s) and/or agent(s) with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark

Office connected therewith, all correspondence to be  
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NIKON CORPORATION

By: Tadao Tsuruta  
Signature

Name: Tadao TSURUTA

Title: Executive Vice President

Date: May 8, 2001



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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Nikon Corporation, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan, certifies that it is the Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified patent application by virtue of an Assignment from the inventor of said patent application, said Assignment having been recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 6745, Frame 0105.

The undersigned has reviewed said Assignment and, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title is in said Assignee.

The undersigned is empowered to sign this Statement on behalf of said Assignee.

May 15, 2001

By: Nelson H. Shapiro  
Nelson H. Shapiro  
Reg. No. 17,095  
Attorney for Assignee